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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

[0050] As will be seen subsequently, in accordance with the preferred embodiment of the present invention, the sleeve is applied to the lung lobe while in an expanded condition. This may be accomplished, as disclosed in United States patent application Serial No. 10/287,188, (case 1759-7), by expanding the sleeve with a first vacuum and then pulling the lung portion into the sleeve with a second vacuum. When the lung portion is within the sleeve, the expansion of the device is released. With the expansion released, the sleeve is permitted to contract or collapse about the lung portion to constrict the lung portion.